

MOUNT VIEW GLADE
CLASS II NATURAL - SCIENTIFIC STATE NATURAL AREA

COUNTY:	Davidson	ACREAGE:	9
7.5' QUADRANGLE:	La Vergne	OWNERSHIP:	State of Tennessee
PHYSIOGRAPHIC PROVINCE:	Central Basin	YEAR DESIGNATED:	1995

DESCRIPTION:

Mount View Glade is a nine-acre natural area in Davidson County that was purchased by The Nature Conservancy in 1990 and later transferred to the State of Tennessee. It is located in suburban Nashville and is surrounded by subdivisions. This small natural area is fenced and gated with a small pull off area for limited public access. The natural area was acquired and then designated to protect one of five populations of the federally endangered Tennessee coneflower (*Echinacea tennesseensis*). Mt. View has been an area that has provided research opportunities for the recovery and protection of Tennessee coneflower through funding provided by the US Fish and Wildlife Service.

The natural area has a small cedar-hardwood forest and one large and several small glade openings. Some other state rare species associated with Mount View Glade include glade-cress (*Leavenworthia exigua* var. *exigua*), Tennessee milk-vetch (*Astragalus tennesseensis*), glade cleft phlox (*Phlox bifida* ssp. *stellaria*), limestone fame-flower (*Talinum calcaricum*), and glade onion (*Allium stellatum*). The cedar-hardwood forest and edge along the fence has been impacted by invasive exotic plant species like privet, honeysuckle and English ivy. An effort to control these invasive plants is an on-going process.

SITE MANAGEMENT:

Division of Natural Areas, 401 Church Street, 7th Floor L&C Annex, Nashville, TN 37243 phone (615)-532-0431.

PUBLIC ACCESS:

There is limited public access provided (a small parking area).

Directions:

From Nashville go east on I-24, exit at Hickory Hollow Parkway Exit 60. Turn right at first stoplight on Mt View Road and go east across Murfreesboro Road (two and a third miles) and continue about one and a half miles to Mount View Natural Area. Parking area is on the right.